

Weekly Wrap-Up

Promoting Missouri to the Film Industry

Week of June 7 - June 13, 2003

MISSOURI NEWS

About 1300 volunteer extras showed up Saturday, June 7, in Fayette to be part of the feature film *Bottleneck*. The production, Wright-Laird Casting, the Columbia Convention & Visitors Bureau, Fayette mayor Mike Hirsch and the Film Commission had labored for weeks to generate a turnout big enough to fill the stands at Central Methodist College's field house for a key concert scene. The day began at 9 a.m. for the extras; 12 hours later, about 200 still remained for the final shots of the day. Throughout the day, the crowd was entertained between takes by a comedian/host, an impromptu jam session by the musician/actors, and giveaways ranging from restaurant gift certificates to t-shirts and Frisbees to tickets for the Royals and Cardinals. The director and producers said they were extremely pleased with the turnout.

Both CarStar and Missouri Lottery are shooting commercials in Kansas City this week. Other news out of Kansas City is that the Film Commission of Greater Kansas City

offices will be relocated to the KC Convention and Visitors Bureau in July. We'll get their new contact info to you once that move is finalized.

The Game of Their Lives first day of filming is Friday, June 13, in St. Louis. The St. Louis portion of the shoot is scheduled to last 6 weeks.

The Missouri Film Commission has scheduled a board meeting for this Saturday, June 14, in St. Louis. As newly appointed board members, one state senator and representative will be on hand to learn more about their role in bringing film production revenues to Missouri.

AniMagic Productions LLC from St. Louis was featured in the June issue of *Markee* magazine for the CG training media they have created for an international industrial services group. Motion capture technology provided by Z-Up Productions in O'Fallon, Mo., also contributed to the virtual characters' movements used in the media.

INDUSTRY NEWS

From the Heart Productions would like to announce grants available for documentary and short filmmakers. The Roy W. Dean film and video grants are valued at over \$50,000 each and close July 30. The new Writer/Researcher grant closes June 30. Please visit www.fromtheheartproductions.com for applications and instructions.



June 25-29 St. Louis Filmmakers Showcase

June 27-28 Showbiz Expo, Los Angeles, CA



SCOUTING

We are currently in search of the following location for a project. E-mail your suggestions to: mofilm@ded.state.mo.us.

- Large spanish-style house with tile roof
- Spanish office buildings with inlaid tile in exterior design
- Missouri waterfalls to be used in a documentary

WEEKLY WEB REPORT

MFC Website hits: 1422

Production guide hits: 197

for week of May 4 - 10

YEAR-TO-DATE ACTIVITY REPORT

Production Guide Requests

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Scouting/Info Requests

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The Missouri Film Commission was created in 1983 and is attached to the Business Expansion and Attraction Group within the Missouri Department of Economic Development.

